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In view of the amendments to the claims and the remarks put forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph starting on line 11 of page 6 as follows:

Figure 1 provides the nucleotide (**SEQ ID NO:1**) and amino acid (single letter code, **SEQ ID NO:2**) sequence of 2.2412. Numbers refer to distances in base pairs. Ankyrin-type repeat sequences are underlined. An additional repeat sequence is indicated by italics. The stop codon is represented by an asterisk. The original cDNA clone 2.2412 isolated by the two hybrid screen spans nucleotides 694-2664 of this sequence.

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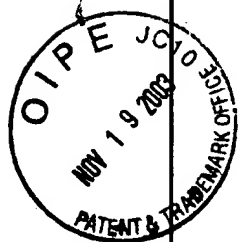
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